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Examiner's Refusal Decision

August 18, 2003
(Mailing Date : August 26, 2003)

To : Applicant (Kabushiki Kalsha Kenwood)

Examiner : J. Yoshikawa

"A Method for Producing Optical Pickup Apparatus"
Patent Application No.236475/1997

The present application shall be rejected for the refusal reason as stated in the Official Letter dated November 29, 2002. While the Applicant's amendments and arguments were reviewed, they fail to reverse said refusal reason.

=Note=

The Applicant asserts in the arguments that none of References 1 discloses detecting the reflected lights of a plurality of light spots by respective photodetectors and causing the reflected light to coincide with each photodetector.

However, it is well known as described, for example, in JP Laid-Open Gazette No. 3-93049 to detect the reflected lights of the plurality of light spots by respective corresponding photodetectors; therefore it is recognized that one skilled in the art naturally performs a positional adjustment so as to cause the reflected light to coincide each photodetector.